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1. FIERCE FIGHTING CONTINUES WITH KI HOLDING S. HALF OF KOMPONG CHAM AND GKR TROOPS DUG-IN IN N. HALF AND ON MEKONG BANKS. BROWNE (NYT) REPORTS FIRING TOO INTENSE FOR EITHER SIDE TO RETRIEVE DEAD; FANK ABANDONED SIX 105 MM HOWITZERS SEPT. 6 WHEN THEY FLED FROM CITY ATHLETIC FIELD, LATER CALLED IN AIR STRIKES BUT NOT KNOWN HOW MANY OF THE GUNS SUCCESSFULLY DESTROYED; ABOUT 300 REFUGEES KILLED OR WOUNDED, MOST WHEN CAUGHT IN MIDDLE BETWEEN FANK AND KI; ESTIMATE 50 FANK KILLED AND 200 WOUNDED AS OF LATE SEPT. 8; GKR TROOPS DUG IN STRONGLY BUT REINFORCEMENTS NEEDED; 300 SICK AND WOUNDED EVACUATED FROM HOSPITAL BEFORE OVERRUN BY ENEMY ON SEPT. 6; RESUPPLY HELICOPTERS HOVER TO UNLOAD TO PREVENT BEING RUSHED BY REFUGEES; SOME CHOPPERS EVACUATE WOUNDED AND REPORTEDLY SELL PASSAGE TO PP FOR EQUIVALENT \$80DOLLARS; FANK CONCERNED ABOUT REPORTS KI REINFORCEMENTS MOVING TO KOMPONG CHAM WITH CAPTURED ARMORED CARS, 50 CAL. MGS AND APCs; GKR POSITIONS AT AIRPORT UNDER INCREASING PRESSURE. AP (SUN, PHINQ, CHITRIB)

REPORTS RENEWED ATTACKS BY KI ON SEPT. 9 BACKED BY ARTILLERY BEATEN BACK BY FANK WITH T-28 SUPPORT (ALSO UPI, NYDN; CSM; WP).

2. FOOD PRICES SOAR IN PP AS ROUTES 4 TO KOMPONG SOM AND 5 TO BATTAMBANG REMAIN CUT. FANK DRIVES FROM E. AND W. TO OPEN ROUTE 4 STALLED BY DUG-IN KI; GKR REPORTS ENCIRCLED 120-MAN UNIT ON ROUTE 4 ABOUT 17 MILES W. OF PP FAILS TO BREAK OUT AFTER FOOD RUNS OUT, 50 NOW MISSING (WP; SUN; UPI, NYDN; AP, PHINQ, CHITRIB; NYT).

3. ALGIERS NAC CLOSES AMID DISCORD AND BICKERING.
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HOAGLAND (WP) SEES SIHANOUK AS BIG POLITICAL WINNER WITH GRUNK RECOGNIZED BY NAC; US CRITICIZED FOR INDOCHINA POLICY; PRG SEATED AND DENOUNCES US AND GVN FOR C-F VIOLATIONS. GINGER (NYT) REPORTS SIHANOUK'S PRESENCE AS A FULL MEMBER WITH SUPPORT EXPRESSED FOR GRUNK, AND RECOGNITION BY OMAN, ZAIRE AND A FEW OTHER AFRICAN STATES. SEATING OPPOSED BY MALAYSIA, INDONESIA AND SINGAPORE (ALSO REUTER, SUN).

4. 88 COMMUNIST C-F VIOLATIONS LOWEST IN SEVERAL DAYS; 57 VC/NVA REPORTED KILLED, GVN CASUALTIES 21 KILLED, 57 MISSING (UPI NYT, NYDN; SUN; WP). THREE-WEEK COMMUNIST SHELLING CAMPAIGN S. OF HUE CONTINUES (AP, SUN;

CHITRIB).

5. W. GERMAN NURSE MONICA SCHWINN WHO SPENT FOUR YEARS AS A VC/NVA PRISONER WAS INTERVIEWED IN NY SEPT. 9. SHE AND FOUR COLLEAGUES WERE CAPTURED BY THE VC IN APRIL, 1969, AND SPENT A YEAR IN SVN DURING WHICH THREE DIED OF STARVATION. SHE AND OTHER SURVIVOR, ACCUSED OF UNSPECIFIED CRIMES AGAINST VN PEOPLE, WERE THEN MARCHED TO NVN. SAYS SHE WAS RESENTED AND BEATEN "BECAUSE I WAS A WOMAN" (NYT; AP, CHITRIB).

6. SEN. KENNEDY CHARGES ADMINISTRATION CONTINUING "DISCREDITED POLICY" BY FINANCING SVN POLICE, CALLS FOR END OF PROGRAM THAT COST ALMOST 200 MILLION DOLLARS IN PAST 10 YEARS WITH 15 MILLION DOLLARS BUDGETED THIS YEAR. DOS REPLY DENIES POLICE SUPPORT IS C-F VIOLATION, ACKNOWLEDGES KENNEDY ASSERTION THAT C-F HAS NOT SUCCEEDED IN BRINGING RELEASE OF SVN NON-COMMUNIST POLITICAL PRISONERS, ASSERTS FIGURES EXAGGERATED AND ESTIMATES NUMBER AT 500 TO 1000. SEN. FULBRIGHT INDICATES HE WILL QUESTION HAK ABOUT CONTINUED AID TO GVN POLICE. ISSUE AROSE WHEN KENNEDY ON SEPT. 9 RELEASED HIS LETTER OF JUNE 7 TO SECSTATE ROGERS AND STATE REPLY OF AUG. 2 (WP; SUN).

7. LIPPMAN (WP) REPORTS ON GVN ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. ECONOMY SLUMPING WITH 300,000 UNEMPLOYED AND THOUSANDS MARGINALLY EMPLOYED; FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES DROPPING UNCLASSIFIED

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AT 10 MILLION DOLLARS PER MONTH; PRICES OF COOKING OIL, SUGAR, RICE AND GASOLINE DOUBLE IN PAST YEAR; MANY REFUGEES STILL NOT RESETTLED; AREAS THAT COULD PRODUCE RUBBER, WOOD AND OTHER PRODUCTS INSECURE; CORRUPTION AND TOO MANY ON THE PUBLIC PAYROLL INFLATE BUDGET. UNREST BECOMING VOCAL. THIEU RESPONDS WITH DEMOBILIZATION PLANS FOR AT LEAST 100,000. LONG-RANGE OUTLOOK OPTIMISTIC IF REAL PEACE COMES SINCE SVN POSSESSES LARGE UNDEVELOPED AREAS, GOOD ROAD NETWORK AND DEEP WATER PORTS, AND RELATIVELY HIGH LIVING STANDARD. PROBLEMS MAY GET WORSE BEFORE IMPROVEMENT, CAUSED BY WAR AS WELL AS PARTLY BY DEPARTURE OF FREE-SPENDING US TROOPS, DECLINE OF VALUE OF DOLLAR RESERVES, RISING COSTS BECAUSE OF HEAVY DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTS, LOWERED US AID. PUBLIC CONFIDENCE DOWN AS AUSTERITY APPROACHES.

8. AFP (NYT) QUOTES DRV SOURCES THAT CASTRO WILL VISIT HANOI IN NEAR FUTURE.

9. JOC REPORTS MAJOR JAPANESE TRADING HOUSES AND CONSTRUCTION FIRMS ARE WELL ALONG WITH DATA COLLECTION AND INDOCHINA RECONSTRUCTION PLANS, AND AWAIT FINAL GOJ

GO-AHEAD TO SEND OUT TASK-FORCES TO DEVELOP FINAL PLANS. THEY BELIEVE RECONSTRUCTION WILL PROCEED FASTER IN NVN BECAUSE OF POLITICAL INSTABILITY IN SVN, LAOS AND CAMBODIA. ESTABLISHMENT OF LOCAL PLANTS ON A JOINT-VENTURE BASIS APPEARS TO BE METHOD OF CHOICE TO SPEED REBUILDING THOUGH IT MAY PRESENT PROBLEMS IN NVN.

CHINA

10. CHITRIB'S GWEN MORGAN IN PARIS REPORTS PING-PONG PLAYING POMPIDOU'S PENDING PEKING TRIP IN PIECE CAPTIONED, "POMPIDOU AND PADDLE HEAD FOR CHINA TO PEDDLE FRANCE." EXPECTS SINO-FRENCH TALKS TO REVOLVE AROUND SUCH COMMON PROBLEMS AS NUCLEAR TESTING DESPITE WORLD OPINION, WASHINGTON-MOSCOW AGREEMENTS, SINO-FRENCH TRADE. SEES PEKING AND PARIS WORRIED OVER WASHINGTON-MOSCOW AGREEMENTS FOR DIFFERENT REASONS. CHINESE ARE CONCERNED BECAUSE ANY REDUCTION OF FEAR IN EUROPE LETS USSR CONCENTRATE ON CHINA; FRANCE UNCLASSIFIED

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BRINGS UP POSSIBILITY THAT ANY REDUCTION LETS W GERMANY PURSUE AN INDEPENDENT COURSE, ESTABLISHING ITSELF PERHAPS AS MAJOR POWER IN W EUROPE. ALSO DISCUSSING POMPIDOU VISIT, GLOBE AND MAIL'S JOHN BURNS (CSM) IN PEKING REFERS TO CHINESE CONCERN OVER WESTERN ALLIES PURSUING NEGOTS THAT WILL ALLOW THEM TO LOWER GUARD THEY HAVE MOUNTED AGAINST USSR IN EUROPE. SUN'S PULLAN IN PARIS NOTES POMPIDOU'S STRESS ON NEED AND OPPORTUNITY TO REINFORCE ITS ECON RELATIONS WITH PEKING. OBSERVES THAT FRANCE'S RELATIONS WITH CHINA BETTER THAN THOSE OF ANY OTHER WESTERN POWER DURING LAST DECADE, OWING LARGELY TO INDEPENDENT FRENCH FOREIGN POLICY. UPI PEKING CITES FRENCH DIPLOMAT AS SAYING POMPIDOU VISIT WILL BE MAINLY CEREMONIAL.

11. AP CITES LONDON SUNDAY OBSERVER ATTRIBUTING TO "HIGHLY PLACED YUGOSLAV SOURCE" REPORT THAT 10TH CCP CONGRESS AGREED WITH PLANS FOR CHOU TO TRAVEL WASHINGTON, LONDON AND PARIS NEXT YEAR (NYDN). BUT AP TOKYO CITES KYODO AS REPORTING THAT CHOU TOLD JAPANESE AMBASSADOR OGAWA THAT HE HAS "NO PLANS WHATSOEVER" FOR ATTENDING UNGA THIS FALL OR VISITING THE US (SUN, CSM).

,2. AFP PEKING REPORTS MARRIAGE OF FRENCH ATTACHE AND FRENCH EMBASSY SECRETARY - FIRST RELIGIOUS MARRIAGE CEREMONY SINCE GPCR. CHINESE PRIEST PRESIDED.

13. CHITRIB'S FRED FARRAR CITES PENTAGON SOURCES AS SAYING THAT CHINA'S DEPLOYMENT OF NUCLEAR MISSILE WITH CAPABILITY OF HITTING MOSCOW AND DEVELOPMENT

OF ONE THAT CAN REACH US COULD FORCE MODIFICATION
OF SALT AGREEMENT; NAMELY, PARTIES TO AGREEMENT MIGHT
WANT TO INCREASE NUMBER OF ABMS THEY ARE ALLOWED
UNDER TREATY. SOURCES DESCRIBE UNTESTED CHINESE
MISSILES AS BEING APPROXIMATELY 20 PERCENT LARGER
THAN SS-9, USSR'S LARGEST.

14. IN SEVENTH IN SERIES OF LOW-KEY "INSTITUTIONAL"
ADS IN NYT, ROC EXTOLS EDUCATION IN TAIWAN, POINTING
OUT THAT ONE FOURTH OF ENTIRE ISLAND'S POPULATION
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NOW IN SCHOOL.

15. JOC REPORT FROM VIENNA REPORTS AUSTRIAN HOPES
FOR IMPROVING TRADE WITH CHINA. NOTES THAT AUSTRIA
WILL STAGE LARGE 1974 INDUSTRIAL EXHIBIT IN PEKING.
MAIN OBJECTIVE WILL BE TO BROADEN RANGE OF PRODUCTS
EXPORTED AND IMPORTED, AND TO OVERCOME SHARP FLUCTUATIONS
OF THE PAST PARTICULARLY NOTICEABLE IN AUSTRIAN ASLES
OF IRON AND STEEL. JOC ROME REPORTS THAT CANTIERI
DI PIETRA LIGURE, AILING ITALIAN SHIPYARD, HAS BEEM-
OFFERED IN LEASE TO USSR AND PRC. SHIPYARD MANAGEMENT
DESCRIBES OFFER AS ATTEMPT TO SPUR GOVERNMENT ACTION
ON FUTURE OF YARD.

16. WSJ'S HARTLEY OBSERVES HEAVY STRICTURES PLACED
ON TAIWANESE DOING BUSINESS WITH BANKS AND NOTES
THAT NEW LEGISLATION IN PREPARATION FOR 5 YEARS AIMS
TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS OF BANKING OPERATIONS. BUT
CITES OBSERVERS AS BELIEVING THAT MANY PROBLEMS WILL
REMAIN EVEN IF NEW REGULATIONS EVENTUALLY BECOME
LAW. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SHOW LITTLE INCLINATION
TO GIVE BANKERS A MUCH FREER HAND IN DAY-TO-DAY DETAILS.
STREAMLINING PRESENT SYSTEM CONSIDERED ESPECIALLY
NECESSARY NOW BY MANY TAIPEI BUSINESSMEN. HERETOFORE,
COMPANIES NEEDING FUNDS OFTEN WENT ABROAD FOR MONEY
RATHER THAN HAGGLE WITH LOCAL BANKERS. BUT GOVERNMENT
HAS CLAMPED DOWN ON FOREIGN BORROWING AS PART OF
EFFORT TO CURB INFLATION.

AUSTRALIA/NZ

217. IN MOVE TO CHECK INFLATION, AUSTRALIA REVALUES
CURRENCY BY 5 PERCENT, SECOND REVALUATION SINCE ALP
TOOK OFFICE. REUTER (SUN) SAYS REVALUATION ACCOMPANIED
BY ANNOUNCEMENT OF HIGHER RATES; UPI (WP) SAYS WHITLAM
HINED AT POSSIBILITY OF INCREASING BANK RATES.
CSM ALSO REPORTS REVALUATION. ALL THREE ALSO REPORT
NZ 10 PERCENT REVALUATION, BRINGING A-NZ CURRENCIES
TO PAR.

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18. UPI CITES PENTAGON PREDICTING IT WILL FAIL TO MEET PROMISED MID-1975 DEADLINE FOR COMPLETING 1.5 BILLION DOLLARS ROK ARMED FORCES MODERNIZATION PROGRAM BECAUSE OF CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET CUTS. DOD SOURCES SAY CLEMENTS WILL ASSESS SITUATION AND REASSURE ROK THAT USG WILL HONOR ITS COMMITMENTS. SINCE MODERNIZATION PROGRAM LINKED WITH WITHDRAWAL OF 40,000 US TROOPS, CLEMENTS MIGHT PROMISE DELAY DEPARTURE OF TROOPS UNTIL COMPLETION OF PROGRAM. THIS COULD CREATE TOUCHY SITUATION IN CONGRESS, WHERE SFRC HAS URGED RE-EXAMINATION OF NEED FOR KEEPING TROOPS IN SK 20 YEARS AFTER KOREAN WAR. ADDS, HOWEVER, THAT SECY. ROGERS SAID IN JULY THAT TROOPS WOULD REMAIN UNTIL IT IS CLEAR THAT REMOVAL WOULD NOT UPSET POWER BALANCE ON KOREAN PENINSULA. (WP). AP TOKYO CITES NK CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY REPORT OF KIM IL SUNG'S PYONGYANG SPEECH AT RALLY MARKING NK'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY. KIM SAYS NK WILL NOT PERMIT USE OF UN TO CREATE TWO KOREAS AND ACCUSES US AND SK "AUTHORITIES" OF "SCHEMING TO FREEZE AND PERPETUATE THE DIVISION" OF KOREA.

19. WSJ REPORTS SK PLANS TO BUILD SHIPYARDS ON KOJE-DO, AND ENLARGE YARDS IN ULSAN AND PUSAN. MOVES, TO BE COMPLETED BY END OF DECADE, WOULD ENABLE SK TO BUILD 4.5 MILLION TONS YEARLY AND PLACE IT SECOND ONLY TO JAPAN IN SHIPBUILDING.

JAPAN

20. POND (CSM) REPORTS THAT RULING ON LOCAL FARMERS SUIT IN SAPPORO AGAINST EXPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC PARKS TO MAKE MISSILE BASE HAS RESULTED IN JAPANESE COURT DECLARING JSDF UNCONSTITUTIONAL. "BECAUSE OF ILLEGALITY OF JSDF, EXPROPRIATION OF CONSERVATION LAND FOR THEIR USE DID NOT FULFILL THE 'PUBLIC INTEREST' REQUIREMENT." SPOKESMAN NIKAIDO SAID SAPPORO COURT DECISION WOULD BE REVERSED ON APPEAL. OTHER SOURCES SAY JAPAN APPEAL COURTS ARE GENERALLY MORE CONSERVATIVE. 9SOCIALISTS
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AND COMMUNISTS WILL USE RULING TO INCREASE OPPOSITION TO TWO DEFENSE BILLS. KOMEITO SAYS JAPAN SHOULD NOT CONTINUE BUILDUP UNDER CURRENT FOURTH-FIVE YEAR DEFENSE PLAN. DSP, WHICH HAS BACKED RULING PARTY IN LEGALITY OF JSDF, SAID COURT SHOULD BE GIVEN CREDIT FOR RULING.

21. CULLISON (JOC, IN LENGTHY ARTICLE DESCRIBES EXPECTED JAPANESE CORPORATIONS EXPANDING OVERSEAS INVESTMENTS FROM 7.3 BILLION DOLLARS TO \$33 BILLION BY 1980.

22. JOC DESCRIBES POLLUTION-INDUCED POPULATION SHIFT TO JAPAN'S MEDIUM-SIZED CITIES FROM MAJOR METROPOLITAN AREAS. DEPOPULATION OF RURAL AREA IS ALSO INCREASING. MANY YOUNG PEOPLE ARE STAYING ON FARM AS FARM FAMILY INCOME RISES SHARPLY. THIRD TREND IS REMARKABLE DEVELOPMENT OF RURAL INDUSTRIES WHICH IS SUPPORTING TANAKA'S PLAN OF DECENTRALIZING INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES (JOC).

23. JAPANESE CORPORATIONS ARE STUDYING FEASIBILITY OF PRODUCING STEEL USING NUCLEAR ENERGY WHICH WOULD ELIMINATE SUCH POLLUTANTS AS SULFURIC OXIDES AND COAL DUST. PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT FINANCED PLANT EXPECTED WITHIN 6 YEARS (JOC).

24. AT LONG LAST, JAPANESE LABOR UNIONS ARE ASSUMING SOME BLAME FOR POLLUTION AND SOME ARE SUPPORTING VARIOUS LEGAL MEANS TO FIGHT POLLUTION IN THEIR OWN CORPORATIONS (JOC).

25. SECRETARY SCHULTZ ARRIVES TOKYO FOR GATT MEETING, OPENING WEDNESDAY, WITH PURPOSE OF LOWERING TARIFFS AND "SMASHING" OBSTACLES TO FLOW OF GOODS THROUGHOUT WORLD (NYDN).

26. US TARIFF COMMISSION RULED THAT JAPANESE STEEL WIRE ROPES ARE INJURING US PRODUCERS. DECISION MEANS TREASURY WILL ORDER PAYMENT OF DUMPING DUTIES AND REGULAR TARIFFS VALUED AT 13.5 MILLION IN 15 MONTHS UNCLASSIFIED

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ENDED LAST MARCH (WSJ).

27. GOJ MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT HAS ORGANIZED WORKING GROUP FROM GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE COMPANIES TO CONSIDER MEASURES TO REVERSE THE COUNTRY'S DETERIORATING CONVENTIONAL LINER BUSINESS (JOC).

28. PEARLSTINE (WSJ) REPORTS THAT JAPANESE BICYCLE EXPORTS ARE EXPECTED TO DROP 1/3 THIS YEAR TO 800,000 UNITS DUE TO YEN REVALUATION. TO BLUNT IMPACT, COSTLY, EXOTIC MODELS ARE EMPHASIZED INSTEAD OF CHEAPER LESS PROFITABLE MODELS THAT MADE UP PREVIOUS BULK OF SALE. HOWEVER, BIKE BOOM IN JAPAN HAS KEPT FACTORIES WORKING NEAR CAPACITY. JAPAN'S DOMESTIC SALES ARE EXPECTED TO GO UP TO 8 MILLION FROM 5.5 MILLION

BECAUSE OF RISING CONSUMER AFFLUENCE, INCREASED LEISURE TIME, AND GOVERNMENT ENCOURAGEMENT WHICH HAS BEGUN PROGRAM OF BUILDING BICYCLE ROADS.

PHILIPPINES

29. NYT ARTICLE DESCRIBES COCONUT AND COPRA PRODUCTION IN THE PHILS, AND ITS ROLE IN ECONOMY.

30. JOC INTERVIEWS EX-AMBASSADOR TO US, AMELITO MUTUC, WHO WAS AN OPPOSITION LEADER IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. MUTUC CONCEDES THAT DESPITE ITS NEGATIVE ASPECTS, MARTIAL LAW HAS BEEN BENEFICIAL FOR THE PEOPLE. SAYS SINCE MARTIAL LAW, ECON DEVELOPMENT HAS ACCELERATED, BALANCE OF PAYMENTS HAS IMPROVED, AND THERE IS CLIMATE OF POLITICAL AND ECON STABILITY.

31. AFP MANILA REPORTS THAT ON EVE OF HIS DEPARTURE FOR AUSTRALIA ROMULO PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW REGIONAL GROUPING THAT INCLUDES AUSTRALIA, WHICH WOULD HAVE "A GREAT DEAL TO SAY" IN ASIA'S ECON GROWTH AND IN SHAPING OF PEACE IN PACIFIC (WP).

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32. CHITRIB'S DOS CORRESPONDENT JOHN MACLEAN MAINTAINS THAT IN ASKING HAK FOR EXPLANATIONS FOR SECRET BOMBING OF CAMBODIA IN 1969, SYMINGTON GOT LITTLE MORE THAN A SKILLFUL RENDITION OF WELL-KNOWN ADMINISTRATION POLICY ON CAMBODIA. IN DEFLECTING DANGEROUS LINES OF QUESTIONING, HAK USED THE HEARINGS TO STUMP FOR SUPPORT OF ADMINISTRATION'S POST-VN FOREIGN POLICY. RECALLING HAK'S SAYING "OUR FOREIGN POLICY CANNOT BE EFFECTIVE IF IT REFLECTS ONLY THE SPORADIC AND ESOTERIC INITIATIVES OF A SMALL GROUP OF SPECIALISTS," MACLEAN ASSERTS IT COULD BE ARGUED THAT THIS IS WHAT AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY HAS BEEN FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS UNDER HAK-NIXON SYSTEM OF KEEPING IMPORTANT DECISIONS WITHIN THE WH. NOTES, HOWEVER, THAT HAK PROPOSED PROCEDURES FOR REGULAR MEETINGS WITH SENATE COMMITTEE AND PROMISED TO KEEP IT INFORMED OF MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS WITH FULL BRIEFINGS.

33. IN LAST OF SERIES, CSM'S HAYWARD IN MANILA SAYS PROSPECTS OF SUCCESS FOR MARCOS' "NEW SOCIETY" DEPEND GREATLY ON ECON IMPROVEMENTS. SAYS ECONOMY ALREADY HAS SHOWN DEFINITE IMPROVEMENT IN SOME SECTORS, BUT OVERALL PICTURE IS MIXED. PHIL TECHNOCRATS ARE ATTEMPTING TO PROVIDE AN AURA OF STABILITY, WHICH IS IMPORTANT TO BUSINESSMEN, INVESTORS, AND THE COUNTRY'S FUTURE DEVELOPMENT. FOREIGNERS ARE STILL CAUTIOUS, BUT GOING AHEAD WITH THEIR PRESENT PROGRAMS. THEY WILL

BREATHE EASIER WHEN RESTRICTIONS ON TRAVEL ABROAD ARE
LOOSENEED, AS GOP HAS INDICATED WILL BE THE CASE. RUSH

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